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For as long as I can remember, Norway has been my dream and a captivating land etched in the depths of my imagination. The serene beauty of the Scandinavian region, with its snow-capped mountains, emerald fjords, and endless horizons, has always beckoned to my soul like a whispered promise of paradise. Norway became not just a destination but a vision, a glimpse of what heaven might look like on earth.

Years ago, when I first heard about this beautiful country from my friends, I set my heart on it. I read about the stunning fjords, its cliffs plunging dramatically into turquoise waters, and the mystical beauty of the Islands, where jagged peaks rise out of the sea like ancient guardians. I envisioned walking beneath the ethereal glow of the Northern Lights, painting the Arctic skies in hues of green and violet, and marveled at the thought of long summer days where the sun barely dips below the horizon. These images shaped my dream, fueling an unwavering desire to experience this haven firsthand. Many friends of mine who had journeyed to the land of Vikings repeatedly told me tales of its splendor, the crisp air, the vibrant culture, and the warmth of its people despite the winter's chill. They spoke of Bergen, with its colorful wharf and rain-kissed charm, and Oslo, where modernity meets a rich history steeped in Viking lore. Every story they shared added a brushstroke to the vivid picture of Norway in my mind.

Recently, I watched a movie that brought these tales to life, deepening my connection to this fascinating place and its rich heritage.

As I stand amidst this breathtaking beauty, once only a vision in my mind, I am humbled by a deep sense of gratitude. Norway is not merely a destination; it is a feeling, a sanctuary where dreams take root and the heart discovers tranquility. My journey here is a living testament to the power of belief and perseverance, a poignant reminder that no dream is too distant when pursued with unwavering passion.

Last year, when I received the news of my selection to go to Norway, my heart swelled with happiness. It felt like the beginning of a dream long nurtured. Yet, the path to confirming this opportunity was anything but easy.

I navigated countless obstacles, visited numerous offices, and reached out to officials, far too many to recount. Some encounters tested my spirit deeply, with moments of treatment so harsh it felt almost inhuman. But through it all, I held on.

Trial after trial, I persevered, determined not to let challenges shape my path. In the end, it was a single, heartfelt plea to a kind and noble soul that opened the door to the final steps of my journey.

With renewed hope, I set out for Addis Ababa, ready to begin the visa process.

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Visa Application

This was my first encounter with an international office, an embassy, no less. I applied for my Norway visa through VFS Global, submitting my request to the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Nairobi. The search for the VFS office in Addis Ababa took hours, with many unsure of its location. After some time, I found the VFS center in Bole, and the journey began.

Upon arrival, I underwent several rounds of security checks before entering the building. The process quickly became more challenging, as some details were unprinted, forcing me to return and redo parts of the procedure. I spent hours completing the forms, providing my fingerprints, and submitting my passport and photograph. It felt like a never-ending loop, but I knew each step was necessary.

Though it was overwhelming at times, this experience marked my first real interaction with an international office, and despite the setbacks, I understood the significance of the process. The whole journey, while time-consuming, was a crucial part of a larger story. Now, I'm one step closer to beginning my adventure in Norway.

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A Reminder to Prepare Early

I want to share my experience with the passport renewal process in Ethiopia, specifically when I applied from Gondar to Bahir Dar, as a reminder for my fellow citizens to plan ahead and prepare early. The journey began when I had an appointment at the Ethiopian Immigration Office to renew my passport. I submitted my application months in advance, expecting a relatively smooth process. However, as time passed, I found myself waiting for several months without hearing any updates.

After a prolonged wait, I decided to visit the Immigration office in person. Once there, I had to go through numerous processes, including additional documentation verification, further administrative checks, and several rounds of waiting for approval. Each step took more time than I initially expected, and the process turned out to be far more complex than I had imagined.

I sincerely thank Dr. Asrat Atsedeweyn for his invaluable help in securing my passport. His support made a significant difference, and I truly appreciate his guidance. This experience highlighted the importance of planning ahead. If you're due for passport renewal or any official documentation, apply early to avoid surprises or delays. Processing times can vary, so starting the process in advance is highly recommended. I hope my experience helps you prepare better and avoid last-minute stress.

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The day started early at Addis Ababa Bole International Airport, and I could already feel the buzz in the air. It seemed like everyone from Ethiopia, and beyond, was on the move. The terminal was bustling with people of all colors: Blacks, Africans, Whites. The atmosphere was charged with anticipation, as though the whole country was migrating.

The queues stretched long, endless lines of travelers, and the security checks were thorough, as expected. Every few meters, another security checkpoint, reminding me that international travel is a world of its own. I made my way through the maze of procedures, always keeping my belongings close. At the entrance, I had to send my baggage off to be checked before entering the airport. This simple step made things smoother, an essential move in the chaotic dance of travel.

After the numerous security checks, I finally made it into the airport. Three hours of waiting followed, each passing moment filled with a sense of quiet excitement. By 4:00 PM local time, I entered the airplane, greeted once again by the security staff for a final check. With that, we were ready. My first international flight was about to begin.

As the plane took off from Addis Ababa, I looked out the window, saying a quiet "bye-bye" to Ethiopia, my beloved homeland. The journey to Europe was long, but the excitement of flying for the first time internationally was unmatched.

I watched the map on the screen as we flew over Debre Birhan, heading north towards Eritrea, possibly stopping in Asmara. The flight continued through the Mediterranean region, heading toward Oslo. The horizon stretched far and wide, and with each passing mile, I felt closer to my dream country.

We were flying through the night, heading into a new chapter. I thought of the life waiting for me in Norway, of the new opportunities, and the challenges. The excitement kept me awake for much of the journey. This was the start of something monumental, a journey that began with my departure from Ethiopia, a land of rich history and dreams, to a place where I could build my future.

The night was long, but so was the adventure that awaited.

The vastness of the sea beneath added a sense of wonder as we soared through the night sky. The contrast between the dark waters and the scattered lights created a tranquil, almost surreal scene.

Inside the plane, the atmosphere was quiet but filled with anticipation. People were relaxed, some reading, others sleeping, all united by the journey ahead. I couldn't help but wonder about their stories, where they were coming from, and where they were headed.

The cabin was cozy, with soft lighting and a constant hum of activity from the flight attendants and the in-flight services. It felt like a small world, flying high above the earth, connecting strangers who would soon part ways.

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After a long 10-hour flight, we arrived at Arlanda Airport in Sweden, and I couldn't have been more grateful for a brief break. The calm atmosphere of the terminal was a perfect contrast to the exhaustion from the flight, offering a peaceful moment to recharge. I took full advantage of the time to explore and capture the beauty of the surroundings, snapping several photos to remember this peaceful pause in my journey.

Though I wished I could spend more time at Arlanda and even explore Stockholm, time was not on my side. My Ethiopian Airlines flight was already scheduled to leave for Oslo in just an hour, making it a quick stopover before heading to my next destination. Despite the short visit, it was a memorable part of the journey.

On the morning of August 13, 2024, I had the incredible experience of landing in Oslo after my first-ever flight! It was a surreal moment. Upon arrival, our friend and colleague, Hosein, who is a project assistant for the NURTURE program at USN (University of Southeastern Norway), was waiting to welcome us.

After passing through several gates, we finally reached immigration. Interestingly, the immigration officer immediately recognized that we were from Ethiopia and part of an exchange program. I was amazed by how he knew, maybe from his experience with previous travelers.

Once we stepped out of the airport, we spent about 30 minutes waiting for our baggage.



*Ethiopian Airline at Stockholm Arlanda Airport
Photo courtesy of Shegaw Marie*

Hosein patiently waited for us outside and warmly greeted us. He then drove me to Hønefoss, my new residence city.

Settling in was surprisingly smooth. Everything was pre-arranged, including the keys to my USN residence. I received them right on time, and I couldn't help but compare how different and well-organized things were compared to back home.

One of the most fascinating aspects of my new residence is the integration of IoT (Internet of Things) technology.



Hosein Kazemi welcomed us

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The houses are equipped with IoT systems that connect devices, making everyday life more efficient and comfortable. For example, the lighting, heating, and even some appliances can be controlled through smart systems. It's exciting to experience this level of technological advancement and convenience firsthand.

The University of Southeastern Norway (USN) offers an impressive and modern living and learning experience powered by the Internet of Things (IoT). From dormitories to classrooms, the cafeteria, and even campus gates, IoT technology is seamlessly integrated to enhance convenience, security, and efficiency for students and staff alike. Every aspect of campus life is interconnected, offering a glimpse into the future of smart living. The dormitories at USN are state-of-the-art, combining functionality with a sleek, modern design. Each unit is equipped with smart IoT systems that allow residents to control lighting, heating, and cooling effortlessly. The cooling and warming systems are particularly noteworthy, as they adjust to weather conditions automatically, ensuring a comfortable living environment year-round. This system not only optimizes energy use but also creates an eco-friendly residence that aligns with global sustainability goals. Access to the dormitories, classrooms, and other campus facilities is managed through advanced IoT-enabled card systems. These cards serve multiple purposes, functioning as room keys, gate passes, and payment methods for the cafeteria.



USN Campus Ringerike

This interconnected system eliminates the need for multiple keys or payment methods, offering a streamlined and highly secure experience. The gates across campus are equipped with smart sensors and automated mechanisms, providing seamless access while maintaining security. The classrooms are equally impressive, boasting IoT-driven smart boards, automated lighting, and climate control systems. These features ensure an optimal learning environment, with everything from temperature to lighting being adjustable to suit the needs of the moment. In the cafeteria, IoT systems enable efficient ordering and payment, reducing wait times and improving overall service.

Special Thanks

I would like to take a moment to express my heartfelt thanks for the exceptional support I received during both the pre-arrival, arrival process and my stay in Norway. From the initial stages of submitting my application to receiving my visa, everything went smoothly, and I deeply appreciate the efforts you made to ensure this process possible.

The entire admission process was not only efficient but also welcoming. I was provided with all the relevant information about my dorm and accommodations well ahead of time, which made my transition to Norway much easier. I felt a genuine sense of support from the esteemed CDHi team, and your warm messages as I prepared for this exciting new chapter were interesting.

During my stay, I continued to feel supported. The environment was conducive to both personal and professional growth, and I was able to focus on my goals without the usual concerns.

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My Academic Experience: A Journey of Learning, Culture, and Collaboration

When I first arrived in Norway to begin my academic journey, I was struck by the seamless transition from arrival to academic life. Classes at the University of South Eastern Norway (USN) began almost immediately, and the environment felt vibrant, welcoming, and full of possibilities. What I initially anticipated to be a challenging academic journey soon turned into an enriching experience, thanks to the friendly and diverse academic environment that I found at USN.

A Seamless Start to Academic Life

One of the most remarkable aspects of my experience was how quickly I was integrated into the academic system. From the very first day, the classes kicked off with engaging discussions and a clear structure that made settling in feel natural. The orientation for international students was incredibly thorough, ensuring that we had everything we needed, not just to start our studies but to navigate life in a new country. It felt as though the academic year had already begun even before I arrived, with preparations, introductions, and even pre-course materials setting a strong foundation.

The Unique Environment at USN

The environment at USN was unlike anything I had previously encountered. Norway's calm yet dynamic atmosphere permeates the university, providing a balance between rigorous academic standards and an emphasis on personal well-being. The picturesque landscape, with its stunning fjords, forests, and serene lakes, seemed to reflect the Norwegian way of life, balanced, thoughtful, and focused on quality over quantity. This environment fostered a productive and refreshing learning atmosphere that motivated me to engage fully with my studies.

A Welcoming and Diverse Student Body

One of the standout features of my time at USN was the incredible diversity among the students. The university hosts a large number of international students, making the campus a melting pot of cultures, languages, and perspectives. In every class, you could find students from all corners of the world, creating a dynamic learning environment that was both stimulating and enriching. The opportunity to collaborate with peers from various cultural backgrounds broadened my worldview, and I found it fascinating how our differences enhanced our discussions, bringing fresh insights into the topics we studied.

In addition to this international diversity, Norwegian students were exceptionally friendly and eager to build connections with international students. Whether it was through group projects, social events, or just casual conversations during breaks, I never felt out of place. The openness of my Norwegian classmates was a major highlight of my academic experience, and it made adapting to the new environment so much easier.

Collaboration and Shared Experiences

Studying at USN was a great experience because of how much we worked together as students. Throughout my time there, I shared many experiences with my classmates, both in and out of the classroom. Whether we were working on group projects, studying for exams, or taking part in activities outside of class, there was always a sense of teamwork. Collaboration wasn't just about finishing tasks together; it was about learning from each other's different ideas and ways of thinking. This exchange of ideas brought us closer, even though we came from many different backgrounds, and it made learning much more interesting.

Outside of academics, Norway's culture offered even more chances to bond. We organized trips to explore Norwegian traditions, visited museums, and took part in activities like hiking and skiing. These experiences not only helped us understand the local culture better but also built strong friendships and a sense of community among students.

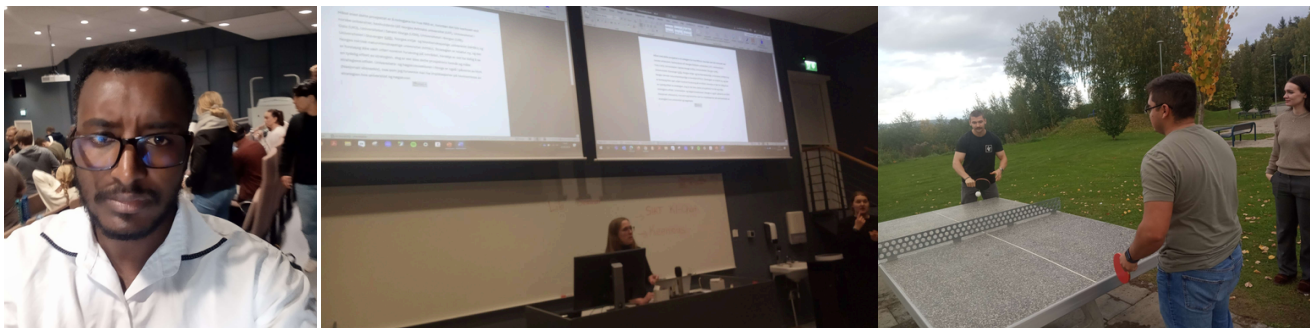
Skilled and Approachable Teachers

One of the best things about studying at USN was the quality of the teachers. They were not only experts in their fields, but also genuinely passionate about what they taught. Their enthusiasm made every lesson more engaging, and they had a talent for making difficult concepts easier to understand. What I appreciated most was how approachable they were. They were always willing to help, whether during office hours or after class, and truly cared about supporting students in both their academic and personal growth.

The teachers at USN also created an environment where we could challenge ourselves and think critically. They encouraged us to speak up, listen to different opinions, and share our ideas openly. This supportive and collaborative atmosphere wasn't limited to the classroom. Many teachers worked closely with students on research projects or extracurricular activities, making the whole academic experience feel more like a partnership.

A Complete Academic Experience

Looking back, my time studying in Norway was more than just going to class. It was about the people I met, the different cultures I experienced, and the knowledge I gained. The combination of friendly classmates, passionate teachers, and a rich cultural environment made it an unforgettable experience. USN not only gave me the skills I need for my career, but it also helped me grow as a person and as a global citizen.



Class

Gathering with international students

Social Life and Interactions in Norway

My social life in Norway was a great experience overall. I had a lot of positive interactions with my dorm mates, and we often had interesting conversations and shared experiences. Living in the dorms allowed me to connect with people from different backgrounds, and we quickly became a close-knit group.

One of the best parts of my time there was the sense of community among international students. Every Wednesday afternoon, we had a "coffee hour" where we would all meet up, chat, and relax together. It was a perfect way to catch up with friends and meet new people. Besides that, we often shared dinners, played games, and just enjoyed each other's company. It was nice to have a group of people who understood the experience of studying abroad and could share in both the challenges and the fun of living in a new country.

A special thanks to Emilie, the Student Assistant for International Students at USN Ringerike. She made a huge difference in helping us feel welcome and connected. She organized events, helped us settle in, and was always there to offer support, which made it much easier to navigate life as an international student.

One of the highlights of my time in Norway was the celebration of Global Week. During this special event, every student had the opportunity to share and showcase their own culture. It was an amazing experience to see so many different traditions, foods, music, and customs brought together in one place.



Celebrating global day with international students



Gathering with international students

My Life Skills in Norway

Living in Norway has helped me develop a range of practical life skills that I'll carry with me. Some of the key skills I've picked up include:

·**Cleaning:** I learned how to keep my living space organized and tidy, which is an important part of independent living. Managing chores like cleaning regularly helped me stay on top of things and maintain a comfortable environment.

·**Cooking:** I also became more confident in the kitchen. Cooking my own meals has not only been a necessity but also a fun and rewarding skill to learn. It's helped me manage my time and nutrition while living away from home.

·**Using IoT (Internet of Things) Materials:** I got familiar with some smart home and supermarket technologies and IoT materials, which are becoming more common in everyday life. This has made me more tech-savvy and capable of using modern tools to make life easier and more efficient.

·**Adapting to Different Seasons:** Living in a place with distinct seasons, especially with Norway's cold winters and beautiful summers, taught me to be flexible and prepared for whatever weather comes. From dressing in layers to adjusting my routines, adapting to the seasons has become second nature.

·**Day and Night Hours Difference:** The difference in daylight hours between summer and winter in Norway was a unique experience. In winter, there's only a few hours of daylight, and in summer, it stays light almost all night. It took some time to adjust, but I learned to adapt my daily schedule to make the most of the daylight and rest during the darker hours.

·**Visiting Kistefoss Museum:** One memorable experience was visiting the Kistefoss Museum with other international students. It was not only a chance to explore Norwegian art and culture, but it also helped me connect with others and share our different perspectives on the exhibits.

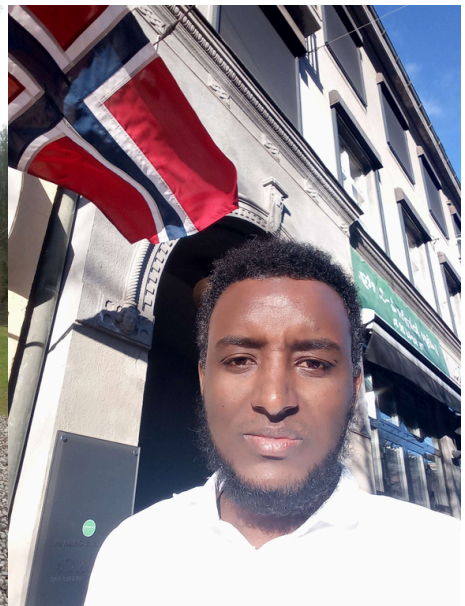
These experiences have not only made me more self-sufficient but also more aware of how to adapt to different environments, manage my time, and embrace new cultural experiences.



Winter in Hønefoss



Visit to Kistefos museum



Flag of Norway in Hønefoss

My Visit to Oslo

During my time in Norway, I had the opportunity to visit Oslo with Professor Shegaw Mengiste, Hosein Kazemi, and Berhanu Fikadie. It was an unforgettable experience, and I got to explore the many wonders of Norway's capital city.

We visited a variety of incredible places in Oslo, from historic buildings and palaces to beautiful lakes and parks. One of the highlights was the Vigeland Sculpture Park, where I was amazed by the vast collection of sculptures by Gustav Vigeland. The park's artistic beauty and the sheer scale of the sculptures made it a must-see landmark in Oslo.

Another memorable moment was trying Ethiopian food for the first time in Norway. We ate at an Ethiopian restaurant, which was a fantastic experience. It was great to enjoy a taste of home, but also to experience how Ethiopian cuisine is adapted and appreciated in a different cultural setting.

Exploring Oslo with my professors and classmates gave me the chance to learn more about the city's rich history, its blend of old and new architecture, and its vibrant culture. The trip not only deepened my appreciation for Norway but also helped me create lasting memories with the people I was with.



Vigeland Sculpture Park- Oslo

My Advice to International Students

Living in Norway for six months was a transformative experience, and as an international student, there were many things I learned along the way that I believe can help others. If you're planning to study here, here are some key pieces of advice based on my own experiences:

1. Learn Norsk (Norwegian) – Language is Key

One of the most challenging aspects of my stay in Norway was the language barrier. Norwegian, or Norsk, is the primary language spoken, and it is essential to know it to fully integrate into daily life. While English is widely spoken in urban areas and in academia, Norsk is still the dominant language in many aspects of life, especially in supermarkets and other public spaces.

For example, I've bought things I didn't need because of confusion at the supermarket due to language differences. Even though university courses are mostly in English, some administrative things, public services, and local businesses require Norsk. So, I recommend learning basic phrases or at least getting familiar with the language early on. Apps and online courses can be very helpful.

2. Don't Hesitate to Ask Questions

One thing I learned early on is that Norwegians are incredibly helpful and cooperative. If you don't know something, whether it's directions, how to use something, or even what a certain product in the store is, don't be afraid to ask. People on campus, in the city, or even in the supermarket are always willing to assist.

You can also use translation apps, maps on your phone, and other tools to help you navigate through the language barrier. The key is to stay proactive and ask for help whenever you need it.

3. Your Phone is Everything

Norway is a highly connected society, and your phone will become your best friend. It will be used for everything, from unlocking your dormitory and campus doors to managing your finances, accessing public transportation, and navigating the city.

One thing to keep in mind is the cold weather. The Norwegian winter can be harsh, and extreme cold can drain your phone's battery quickly. So always make sure your phone is fully charged and keep a charger with you at all times. It's also a good idea to have an external power bank for emergencies.

4. Shop Smart: Find the Cheapest Stores

Shopping in Norway can be expensive, but with a little planning, you can save money. Some stores offer better prices than others for certain items, so it's worth learning where to go for the best deals. Look for discount stores, and pay attention to price tags on products, everything is clearly marked. I found that shopping at a mix of stores, depending on the item, helped me stay within budget.

You can also ask shopkeepers for advice if you're unsure about prices or where to find certain products.

5. Greeting with a Giggle: Norwegian Custom

Norwegians often greet each other with a small, friendly "giggle" or smile, even if you don't know them. On the streets, in shops, or on campus, a simple gesture like this is considered polite and friendly. It might feel strange at first, especially if you come from a culture where greetings are more formal, but just go with it! You'll notice that this is part of the relaxed and approachable atmosphere in Norway.

6. Dress Appropriately for the Weather

Norway's weather can be very unpredictable, especially in the winter. It can get extremely cold, and depending on the season, you might experience snow, rain, or strong winds. Use weather prediction apps to dress appropriately and stay comfortable. Layering clothes is a smart strategy, and remember to invest in warm, waterproof outerwear, gloves, and shoes.

7. Loneliness in the Dormitory (esp. in Hønefoss)

Living in a dormitory can be isolating at times, especially when there aren't many students around. I noticed this most on weekends or during breaks when the campus felt quieter. It's important to recognize that loneliness is a normal part of living abroad, but there are ways to manage it. Stay in touch with friends and family back home through video calls or chats. Also, take time for self-care: go for walks, explore the city, and make sure to maintain a social life.

8. Be Mindful of Shared Facilities and Internet-Connected Devices (IoT)

Welcome to Norway the tech-advanced and digital country!

In Norway, many things are connected to the internet, including appliances in shared spaces like kitchens. It's important to use these facilities appropriately to avoid wasting resources. For example, be careful about using the kitchen in your dormitory, don't leave appliances running unnecessarily, and make sure to clean up after yourself. Not only will this help with sustainability, but it can also save you money, as some services are linked to usage fees.

9. Be Prepared for the High Cost of Living

Norway is often considered one of the more expensive countries in Europe, and this is something you need to prepare for. Prices for food, transportation, and other essentials can be high, but with careful budgeting and smart shopping, you can make it work. Cooking at home and avoiding eating out all the time can save you a lot of money. You can also look for student discounts in some stores and public transportation systems.

10. Be Mindful of the Environment and People Around You

Norwegians take environmental sustainability seriously, so try to be mindful of recycling and using resources responsibly. Additionally, Norwegians value personal space and privacy, so be respectful of others' boundaries. This can be a cultural adjustment, especially if you're from a place where people are more expressive or intrusive. But once you understand the local norms, it will be easier to adapt.

Norway is an incredible place to study, with its stunning landscapes, high quality of life, and a welcoming community. By learning the language, embracing the local culture, and being mindful of your surroundings, you will have a smooth and enriching experience during your time here.

Good luck, and enjoy your stay!

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Here in Norway, my stay is truly unforgettable. I've gained international experience from my friends, seen the beautiful sights of Hønefoss city, and visited the Kistefos museum with you with its beautiful sculptures and I hope to explore even more Norway natures on my own! The teachers are so nice and supportive, the education is excellent, and I've enjoyed all the gatherings and today's interesting dinner. The beautiful Norway's nature, work ethics, cool climate, and long and irregular days and nights have been amazing to experience. Days and nights are confusing, and it took some time to adjust with the days and nights, as back home country we have equal 12-hour days and nights, but the beauty of the Norway made it enjoyable. I've shared so many wonderful moments with my classmates and international students, and I'm grateful for everything I've learned. It's been a pleasure, and I'll always cherish and save, tell these memories. Thank you the advanced country, Thank you the safest home USN, and you all!